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#### COUNTY COURT DOINGS.

In the matter of the E. C. Spencer allowed \$200.25 and ordered that assignees be allowed following amounts: Joe Mackley, \$9.90; Mrs. Wm. Race, \$3.60; Wm. Race, \$34.50; Bryant McCallan, \$45; Ed Osborne, \$11.40; Bob Heam, \$9.75; Mrs. Ada Comstock, \$9.60; John Suter, \$13.50; John Dodge, \$5.25; J. W. Myers, \$18.00; Matt Thomas, \$18; Wm. Bugg, \$18.30. Roads petitioned by Ulrich Klaus, John I. Diebold, J. R. Joyce, Geo. Mier, John Wallace, et al., continued by request of J. E. Warner.

Dramshop license granted John A. Stike, New Hamburg. Allowed for road and bridge work: Anton Legrand, \$9.35; Sulinger and Lambert, \$44.40; T. P. Stone, \$16.53; J. S. Norrid, \$10; Chris Heisserer, \$158.86; T. E. Chewning, \$18.25; J. P. Jones, \$4.77; C. N. Carpenter Supply Co., \$136.63; W. R. Beardsie, \$19.17; Jeff Sinkard, \$62.15; Chas. Bertrand, \$64.87; Joe Hutchason, \$49.99; R. A. Kingsbury, \$24.60; Billy Summers, \$2; Dan Adams, \$1; Roy Pool, \$1; Austin Weston Co., \$35.23; Anderson Mer. Co., \$103.91; T. J. Bonfield, \$32.75; A. C. Miller, \$149.07; Jas. Hinkle, \$27; H. J. Stolz, \$2.50; Sam Worley, \$1.25; Chas. Kraft, \$1.50; W. A. Miller, \$1.50; Leonard Weber, \$67.10; Chris Heisserer, \$158.86; T. J. Chewning, \$5.

Other allowances: Anton Legrand, putting light plant in court house, \$22; R. A. Kingsbury, freight, etc., \$18.61; Kicker, stationery, \$7; R. B. Heuchan, pump, etc., \$7; John Spalding, \$202.75; L. A. Reynolds, \$5.50; Booneville Training school, \$80; Nevada Hospital, \$150.99; Hospital at Fulton, \$64.40; Buxton and Skinner, stationery, \$19.08; Geo. D. Barnard, stationery, \$165; Standard Printing Co., \$32.65; Lead Belt Printing Co., \$5.70; Scott County Democrat, \$76; Kneiter & Esser Co., drawing cloth, \$17.88; W. H. Heisserer, supplies for poor farm, etc., \$118.50; J. H. Norrid, quarterly salary, \$175; Engine Co., \$8.75; Clarence Johnson, insurance on sheriff's residence, \$22; L. P. Guber, boarding prisoners, \$311.50; fees, \$86.25; J. H. Grant, janitor, \$120; J. E. Warner, highway engineer, quarterly salary, \$375; B. High Smith, school commissioner, \$335.90; Light plant for court house, \$115.96.

Salaries of county and circuit clerks increased in accordance with population.

Proposition of Blodgett to build ditch to connect with ditch hauled.

Motion to reject contract for digging district 5 overruled.

Road petitioned by Wm. Utzage, surveyor ordered to survey and report at next term. Same order in road petitioned by M. Jewell, et al.

Road petitioned by M. Drake, et al., leading into Illinois, dismissed at cost of petitioners.

Road petitioned by Henry Sander, surveyor ordered to view and report. Same order in road petitioned by C. M. Wylie.

In matter of re-appointing North Cut ditch, continued.

Loan of \$800 to J. A. Armstrong. Drain ditch 7, B. F. Marshall, et al., petitioners, view and report, notice ordered given and Nov. 3 set for hearing.

Following judges and clerks were appointed for the local option election:

Chaffee—Wm. Pfeifferkorn, J. A. Chewning, Sam Parram, Levi Bechel, T. A. Wylie, James Blocker.

Kelso—Chas. Heisserer, Mike Walter, Peter Compas, Joe Walter, Const. Doherty.

Grayson—C. W. Gray, John Carlson, Geo. Hawkins, H. N. Downing, J. N. Estes, Ed Holts.

Edna—Chas. Hannu, A. E. Estes, Ed Schrieffer, Louis Berger, Pearl Daugherty, Lawrence Sevier.

Lock—C. W. Christman, Chas. Wilson, B. M. Swank, Ben Marshall, New Downing, Ed Olms.

Minners—Wm. Widows, Rufus Fowler, James Hinkle, Harvey Gentry, Philip Adair, Wm. Stargerson.

Bloda—Joe Mier, Frank Heisserer, Joe Bechel, Jeff Sinkard, Wm. Calhoun.

Benton—Mike Rapp, John McWilliams, Wm. Kraft, Rolen Cannon, Wm. Ristig, F. L. Diebold.

Perkins—Walter Irwin, E. A. McBride, W. R. Patterson, H. C. Thompson, Chas. StCin, Emil Bollinger.

Oran—J. F. Allen, R. S. Coleman, Louis Pfeifferkorn, Frank Query, T. S. Heisserer.

Morley—L. L. Hunter, W. H. Black, John Vaughn, George Jacobs, W. T. Huffstutler, J. B. Shobe.

Crowder—J. W. Carlisle, Frank Utley, M. A. Cooksey, J. H. Marshall, Jr., Joe Marshall, C. E. Marshall.

Commerce—A. L. Mills, L. A. Reynolds, Wm. Canham, E. A. Johnson, T. A. Matthews, B. J. Ellis.

Sikeston—Ward 1, Louis Baker, Milford Baker, R. Royal, E. Johnson, W. A. Matthews, John Witt, 2, Jake Sites, Jake Taylor, Sam Potashnie, J. P. Johnson, Green Vaughn, John Johnson.

McMullin—R. N. Minner, J. P. Ranney, John Welter, A. J. Crutchfield, Frank Merritt.

Blodgett—Walter Lemons, Chas. Stubbs, Tom Horton, Tom Reams, Wm. Lemley, Frank Ferguson.

Court adjourned to August 16.

#### AROUND BENTON.

Harvey E. Moore, of near Prices Landing, was here last week and from him the Kicker obtained further information of the damage done by the overflow of the river. Mr. Moore lost 1,000 bushels of potatoes, and he and his brother Ernest lost 75 acres of alfalfa and 50 acres of corn—the total loss to both being about \$4,000. The loss of the Handy Moore estate and the tenants was 300 acres of corn, 40 acres of wheat and six acres of alfalfa—about \$5,000. E. E. Brown's loss is estimated at \$5,000. B. M. and Edgar Swank lost between \$2,000 and \$3,000. The loss of E. L. Brown and tenants was about \$5,000, and Alpha Brown's was damaged from \$1,500 to \$2,000. Tom Christon lost 20 acres of corn and four or five acres of alfalfa and George Christon lost most of his corn crop. The tenants are in a destitute condition.

A horse was stolen from George Walters, at Ansell on Monday night of last week. Sheriff Guber was notified and officers of surrounding counties were notified. Tuesday

a man giving his name as Jesse Hughes was arrested near Oak Ridge, in Cape county. He had sold the horse to a Mr. Chippard at Oak Ridge for \$40. All the money was recovered excepting forty cents. He had also sold the saddle and bridle for \$1.50. Returning on the train between Oak Ridge and Daisy, Hughes tried to jump out of the window, but was stopped by the officer. Sheriff Shade, of Cape county delivered the prisoner to Sheriff Guber at Allenville, and he is now in jail.

Friday night Miss Roena Shaner lectured in the court yard on temperance. The audience was largely composed of women and children. She announced a business meeting for Saturday afternoon and invited all workers to be present—especially the men. Rev. Forsyth is reported as the only male present. Rev. Schupp lectured at the court house Wednesday, but only a few heard him. Reports from everywhere indicate that the people are not very much stirred up over the local option election.

Monday evening Deputy Constable Neely Miller, of Oran, and Vince Lauch, of Edna, brought J. H. Boardman, of Edna here to be placed in jail. Mrs. Boardman accompanied her husband. Boardman is merchandising at Edna and it seems the officer went there to attach the goods. Boardman torbly resisted and Miller arrested him. Evidently Boardman furnished bond as he was not placed in jail.

Tuesday Joe M. Bennett, his nephew, Roscoe Bennett, Thomas Vaughn, Frank and Wm. Wilkie, and Wylie Stephens, all of Richland township, passed through Benton on an overland trip to Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas to be gone about ten weeks. Thus the workers wander about in search of better locations and better conditions.

A comrade writes from Sikeston that Socialism is taking a new grip on the people down there, and that a local will be organized. It will get the workers in the "Wall Street" of Scott county to realize their own interests and quit voting as their masters do, it will help some. But the masters will not allow this if they can help it.

After a few days of fair prices, the bottom dropped out of the melon market and this week the price scarcely pays to load. Melons are consumed chiefly by the working class, and because of unemployment, even so cheap a luxury as melons.

Constable John Little, of Morley was seriously hurt by being thrown from a bucking pony last week. Both bones of a leg below the knee were broken. He is reported to be getting along nicely.

The first ten days of August show twenty-two cash subscriptions received. This is a good start. Don't forget; we want one hundred for the month. Get busy.

There will be religious services, temperance speaking and a basket dinner at Chewning's chapel next Sunday, August 15. You are invited. Bring a basket.

A. C. Hervey, former station agent at Ansell, writes from Pig-Crook, Ark.: "We have plenty of Socialists down here. Keep your eye on Arkansas."

Howard Levan and Frank Jones, of Morley, are here talking fraternal insurance to the neighbors.

Mrs. C. F. Bonneton went to Cairo Saturday to visit the family of her son, Chas. E. Bonneton.

Mrs. Busch, of Sullivan, Mo., is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Kraft.

Mesdames Backoff and Rasse of St. Louis visited Mrs. J. S. Freeling last week.

Casper Eifert and son Paul, of near Illinois, were here Wednesday. Also Thos. Swofford.

#### FROM NEW HAMBURG.

As reported here, there were a good many Kelso boys taken to Benton jail last week. Kelso is the town that makes such a savage fight on the Kicker. The people are told by their educators and leaders that the Kicker is not fit to enter Christian homes. Ignorance and crime are close associates. Better take to reading the Kicker up there—and get your children to read it.

In the dog trial last Saturday Squire Cannon awarded Geo. Kern \$40 for a yellow dog, which has put some of our farmers to studying. Some have already expressed their willingness to quit farming and go to raising dogs.

There was a big storm north of town Tuesday night of last week uprooting trees and blowing down fences. Lightning struck Donn R. Scherer's barn during the storm.

Jas. F. Allen got into a difficulty with a Mr. Spencer, at Oran, for which he was arrested charged with assault. He was fined \$1 in the mayor's court.

Ambrose Bles and wife, of Macedonia, and Frank Welter and Martin Mentz and families, of Oran, visited the family of Frank Bles here Sunday.

Donart and Frank Scherer and Leo Compas serenaded Solomon Diebold Sunday evening. The boys make excellent music.

The union meat shop will sell meat twice a week now. Patrons wanting meat can get it Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Andy Dirnberger Sunday evening, a big boy, which they christened Claude William.

It is said that Albert Goetz will take charge of his father's farm and that Mr. Goetz will move to town.

Arthur Vetter is laid up from the effects of a tumble he took while working on a bridge.

August Lux and wife, of Kelso, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Katy Lux, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Seyer of Ansell, spent Wednesday with the family of John Urahahn.

Raymond Thomas, of the Cape, is visiting his cousins, Joe and Otto Pfeifferkorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gangle, of Perkins, were visiting in the neighborhood this week.

The marriage of Albert Goetz to Miss Mary Urahahn was announced here Tuesday.

Fred Logel and Ed Rose, of Kelso, were here Saturday. Gus Lux, of Kelso, visited at Philip Schitter's Sunday.

A child of George Scherer was buried here last week.

#### FROM PLEASANT HILL.

Nick Ledure and Miss Nellie Arnold were married at Benton Tuesday by Rev. Dette. After the ceremony a sumptuous dinner was served to 102 guests at the home of the bride's parents. The bride is an only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arnold. The groom is the son of Mrs. Joseph Leist and an estimable young farmer. They will reside on his brother's farm the coming year. Among those present were: Mrs. Joseph Leist, Emil and August Ledure, Lee Smith, August Eifert, Philip Pfeifferkorn, Chas. Blattel, Vince Duvall, Thos. Swofford, Alex Burger and their families, Mrs. A. Bles and children, Mrs. Wm. Colie and children, Mrs. Asa Pool and Misses Ernie Hawkins, Laura and Rieka Robertson, Lizzie Ledure, and Ansell and Chas. Green, Theo and Andy Pfeifferkorn, Harry Raspberry, Will Hawkins, Philip Spauldner, John, Joseph and Fred Ledure, Will Arnold and family, Mr. and Mrs. George, Mr. and Mrs. Will Enderle, Mrs. John Allen and children, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Whit Dodge and daughter, Mrs. Joe Ellis and children, Miss Rich, of Kentucky, Frank House and family, and many others whose names we did not learn.

#### FROM MACEDONIA.

Preaching here Sunday was not very well attended owing to the fact that only a few knew about it. There will be preaching here the second Sunday in September at 2 o'clock p. m.

John Sanders received word from his brother's wife, Mrs. Allen Sanders, that his brother, Allen, was dead and had been buried close to Supply, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Hegarty, the newly married couple, have returned from their honeymoon trip to Chicago and will soon go to house-keeping.

Geo. Newton, Arch and Lela Odum and Jack Sanders, all of Illinois, came over to visit F. M. Sanders and family Monday.

Mrs. Ab Anderson and children, of Illinois, returned home Monday after a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds.

John Mattingly is a visitor at St. Mary's this week and his wife is with her mother, Mrs. M. V. Sanders.

F. E. McLain and wife left Saturday for a visit to his relatives in North Dakota and Montana.

Will Johns and wife moved to Edna Monday.

Whoop 'er up for August!

#### FROM EDNA.

Friday night of last week, Mr. Sharp, one of our merchants, heard the crashing of glass. Going to the rear of Bandendistel's store he discovered burglars inside. He reported to Mr. Bandendistel who, with others, went in and captured John Dumey and Henry Homan. Constable Randolph took them to Benton jail that night. Homan is a paroled prisoner—an unmarried young man. Dumey is a widower with two children and is the son of Mrs. M. Dumey, of Kelso, and a nephew of uncle Joe Dumey, of New Hamburg.

T. E. Adams, superintendent of machinery, visited the round house Tuesday and instructed Foreman Doty to put on ten additional car repairs and two car carpenters. The Cotton-Belt expects an increase in business.

The Socialists are requested to meet at Red Men's Hall, over laundry building, in North Illinois, next Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Important. Bring your card and be prepared to vote.

S. A. Vaneil and family expect to leave in a few days for a trip to Springfield, Mo., where he may locate if he likes the place and can get the employment he wishes.

It is reported that Mr. Smith is going to move his saloon into the Logel building as Mr. Logel will soon retire from business.

Mrs. Norman, a former resident of this place, paid her mother and friends a visit last week.

Presiding Elder Crow visited Edna Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday evening.

Sam Cannon and daughter left Tuesday morning for St. Louis for a visit of several days.

A 9-pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kuerst of Illinois Wednesday.

Mrs. John Bryant has returned from her visit to relatives in Arkansas.

Cave Griggs is back with the Cotton Belt again.

#### FROM REDMAN.

Jerry Wallace and family visited Byrd Turner and family Sunday, and Albert Minter and wife spent the day with Warren Heney.

The Ladies of the W. C. T. U. will give a basket dinner at Chewning's chapel Sunday, the 15th.

Mrs. Calvin Triplett has returned from Senath after a two weeks visit with relatives.

It is reported that Johnson Lambert's children have chicken pox.

Mrs. Webb and children returned to her home at Crowder Saturday. Jim Smith purchased a new Singer sewing machine last week.

The children around here are having sore eyes.

#### FROM BELL CITY.

W. W. McAllister will not be here on the 14th as reported to make a speech on political economy word having been received that he will not reach the county before the first of September. He was billed to speak here on the picnic grounds on the above date.

A number of our citizens have been attending church at Pleasant Hill for the past week.

Mrs. G. Nassar has returned after a two weeks visit with relatives at Keokuk, Iowa.

Mrs. G. Atwood will move her stock of goods to Edna some time soon.

Mrs. G. Atwood and F. S. Congleton visited at Edna Sunday.

#### FROM SAVANAH.

Frank Mackley has returned from Illinois, where he went to locate a market for watermelons.

Mrs. J. T. Schneider, of Oak Grove, visited Mrs. Joe Mackley Sunday.

Lester Gage has returned from a visit to relatives at Neelyville.

John Gage and Miss Earle Packett were at Benton Sunday.

Clyde Tisdal and family have moved to Sikeston.

Our new school house will soon be completed.

Sam Dozier lost a horse from lock-jaw.

Joe Mackley is in Illinois with melons.

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#### FROM VANDUSER.

Misses Lina Mason and Clara Miller are stopping at Lina's brother, Charles Mason, while her father is taking a trip to Creel Springs and other points for his health.

Rev. Shupp, District Superintendent Missouri Anti-Saloon League, lectured at the Baptist church Monday night to a small but appreciative audience.

Rev. Holland sent word that he could not be here on his regular day but would be with us on the fifth Sunday of this month.

Rev. Daugherty, of Benton, and R. S. Coleman, of Oran, were here this week looking after the temperance committees.

Rev. Harris filled Rev. Holland's appointment at Crowder Sunday and a number of our young folks attended the services.

J. W. Greer, our former station agent, and his mother and nephew visited friends here from Monday until Tuesday.

Miss Maggie Vaughn, of Oran, was here Monday helping to arrange seats in the primary school room.

Don't forget the double contest at the Methodist church Saturday, the 14th. Admission 10 and 15c.

C. J. Mason and Robert Joyce left for St. Louis Saturday to look for some repairs for machinery.

Mrs. George Layton, who is at Creel Springs for her health, writes back that she is feeling fine.

J. W. Arbaugh accompanied R. S. Coleman to Morley and Oran to hear Rev. Shupp lecture.

Wm. Spann returned home Friday from a ten days visit to relatives in Ripley county.

Uncle Chas. Chaney and W. B. Smith have some of the finest melons of the season.

R. R. Spann and family spent Sunday with Mrs. James Marshall near Crowder.

The hoop mill started up this week after several days idleness.

C. F. Spann, of Chaffee, was here a few hours Saturday.

Miss Elsie Potter is confined to her bed with malarial fever.

W. R. Vowels is in the city this week buying goods.

Miss Carrie Jones is sick with malaria.

#### FROM MULLIN'S ISLAND.

Will Smith and Pat Thornton and Misses Beulah Anderson and Mae Evans attended the W. C. T. U. speaking at Hunter Sunday night.

A crowd of young people from the island were entertained at the home of Tony Layton on Bugg Ridge Saturday night.

Mrs. L. Dabbs and Miss Effie Mize attended the show at the Cape Wednesday of last week.

Alvin Carter has returned from Kansas City, Mo., where he went to peddle a car of melons.

Mrs. Geo. Perry and children and Miss Emma Fields are visiting relatives in Kentucky.

John Evans visited his sister, Mrs. Elbert Simmon, at Morehouse Saturday and Sunday.

E. A. Carter and family, of Bugg Ridge, visited R. N. Fields and family Sunday.

A. A. Evans left here Sunday with a car of melons for Murphysboro, Ill.

Ebbie Fields, who has been sick for some time, is reported better.

Willie Twittie, of Saledo, is visiting at A. A. Evans this week.

John Perry and son, Arnie, are visiting in Kentucky this week.

Crops are looking fine in this vicinity.

Melons are scarce on the island. Little Clyde Sulinger is sick.

#### FROM BUGG RIDGE.

A cow belonging to Josh Mason got into the ditch near here and when found had to be pulled out with a team.

Clarence Abernath went to St. Louis Tuesday, returning Saturday.

Ernest Bryant, of Morley, visited Clarence Abernath Sunday.

Watermelon loading is about over in this neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dodson's baby died Saturday with flux.

John Greer was at the Cape a few days last week.

Mrs. Tony Layton has been sick for the past week.

Judge Bugg was holding court at Benton last week.

#### FROM ROOTWAD.

It is reported that Willie Darter, the boy preacher, will return here from his Oklahoma home, about September. He will be heartily welcomed.

While making boards a piece of an iron wedge flew into the eye of Louis Merrick, causing a very painful injury.

B. F. Hahn and Frank Gray and their families are visiting in Arkansas.

The Misses Mary and Lena Long, of Arkansas, are visiting the family of B. F. Wilburn.

A. W. Turner and Gus Miller have returned from their Illinois trip.

E. F. Love and family visited at Morehouse Sunday.

The protracted meeting is being well attended.

Farmers, read the Kicker.



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#### THE BLODGETT PICNIC.

There is every reason to believe that the picnic and barbecue at Blodgett on Saturday, August 28, will be a whopper. The business committee organized this week with John T.